

THE WHITE HOUSE  
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NATIONAL SECURITY ACTION MEMORANDUM NO. 179

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
THE ADMINISTRATOR, AID  
THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
THE DIRECTOR, USIA

SUBJECT: U.S. Policy Toward Indonesia

With a peaceful settlement of the West Irian dispute now in prospect, I would like to see us capitalize on the US role in promoting this settlement to move toward a new and better relationship with Indonesia. I gather that with this issue resolved the Indonesians too would like to move in this direction, and will be presenting us with numerous requests.

To seize this opportunity, will all agencies concerned please review their programs for Indonesia and assess what further measures might be useful. I have in mind the possibility of expanded civic action, military aid, and economic stabilization and development programs, as well as diplomatic initiatives. The Department of State is requested to pull together all relevant agency proposals in a plan of action and submit it to me no later than September 15th.

cc: The Attorney General  
the Director, Bureau of the Budget

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Mr. Bundy ✓  
Mr. Johnson  
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